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**WETLANDS APPLICATION REVIEW FORM**

*See Nashua Revised Ordinance [NRO] Chapter 16, Article III and Resolution R-90-84*

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Application Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Property Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Tax map #'s: Lot: \_\_\_\_\_ Sheet: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Estimated Project Start Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ End Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Zoning District: \_\_\_\_\_

Wetland Classification:

☐ Prime ☐ Critical ☐ Other (wetlands >9,000sf) ☐ Other (wetlands 3,000-9,000sf) ☐ Vernal Pools

If Prime or Critical, name of wetland: \_\_\_\_\_

Impact in square feet: Wetland: Temporary \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent \_\_\_\_\_

Buffer: Temporary \_\_\_\_\_ Permanent \_\_\_\_\_

Is site within 250 feet of waters regulated by Shoreland Protection Act?<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, show distance of structure from water on plan. (RSA 483-B)

Is property within Water Supply Protection District? \_\_\_\_\_ (NRO Sec. 16-37)

Wetland scientist (name/company): \_\_\_\_\_

Authorized Contractor or Agent: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Identify each wetland or stream associated with proposed work, and buffer requirements for each (See Table 271-1 of Nashua's Land Use Code). \_\_\_\_\_

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<sup>1</sup> Bowers Pond, Harris Pond, Holt Pond, Lovewell Pond, Merrimack River, Mine Falls Dam, Nashua River Dam and Cove, Pennichuck Pond, Round Pond, Supply Pond

2. Describe type of wetland(s) proposed to be impacted, e.g., forested, wet meadow, etc. See US Fish and Wildlife Service Manual- Classification of Wetlands and Deepwater Habitats of the United States, (Cowardin et. al., 1979). Reference the rarity of the wetland, surface water and groundwater.\_\_\_\_\_
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3. Provide a brief project description. Describe changes to topography. Clearly identify and describe temporary and permanent impacts to each wetland and buffer. Describe project duration and equipment to be used. This may be included on a separate page.
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4. Attach a preliminary DES Dredge & Fill Application if work is within DES jurisdiction.

5. For projects requiring planning board or DES review ("Major projects") include wetlands delineation plan at 1"=100' (required for site visit). Otherwise provide concept plan of proposed work. Also show:

- Streams or waterbodies, labeled with name, if known.
- Wetland and wetland buffer impact areas highlighted in color or crosshatching; if multiple impact areas label each with letters ("A", "B", "C"). Total square footage for each impact area should be included in plan notes or accompanying table.
- Buffers as required by Nashua Wetlands Ordinance, and, if applicable, Water Supply Protection District Conservation Zone.

6. Include clear color pictures (or picture copies) no smaller than 5" x 7" of each impact area from multiple vantage points. There shall be a date and location and if possible GPS unit locations on each photograph.

7. Include map from the Nashua GIS website (<http://gis.ci.nashua.nh.us/website/citygis/>) showing only the entire project area on a 11" x 17" sheet (in color if possible). Include the following layers: City Border, Selected Parcel, Addresses, Railroads, Road Centerlines, Road Names, Water Bodies, Streams, Wetlands, Trails, Easements, 2004 Aerial layer.

8. Describe how the project meets the following criteria: (NRO Sec. 16-274)

- a. The use or activity proposed and its attendant impacts cannot reasonably be avoided.
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- b. The least damaging route and methodology have been selected, and that which is being proposed is the best practicable alternative available.
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- c. That reasonable and acceptable impact mitigation measures have been incorporated where necessary and appropriate to minimize wetland loss or degradation.<sup>2</sup>

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- d. That the overall impact of encroaching into wetland or buffer areas is necessary for the productive use of adjoining buildable land and, as such, non-encroachment is outweighed by the benefits thereby derived.

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- e. That no significant impact on the habitat of rare or endangered species or exemplary communities, as listed by the State of New Hampshire or Federal government, will result.

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- f. That the best available adequate erosion and sedimentation control methods are incorporated.<sup>3</sup>

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- g. That the proposed activity or use shall not significantly impair wetland capacity to provide important wildlife and fishery functions, including habitat, food, shelter, breeding, migration and over-wintering.

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- h. That the project shall not impair the stability of a water body's bank.

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- i. That the wetland and buffer function of hydrologic absorption capacity and storage shall not be impaired.

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<sup>2</sup> The removal of invasive species may be an appropriate mitigation technique. Invasive species are listed in the most recent *State of New Hampshire Prohibited Invasive Species List*.

<sup>3</sup> Some appropriate erosion control standards are: *Stormwater Management and Erosion and Sediment Control Handbook for Urban and Developing Areas in New Hampshire*, New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, Rockingham County Conservation District, USDA Soil Conservation Service (August 1992), and *Stormwater Management for Construction Activities*, Environmental Protection Agency (September 1992).

9. Contractor contact information (responsible individual, firm, and phone number). If not yet available, email when it is (i.e., contractor info) to: [bretzl@ci.nashua.nh.us](mailto:bretzl@ci.nashua.nh.us)

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10. List any outstanding violations (if any).

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11. List status of other permits required under local, state or federal laws (i.e., Dredge and Fill Permit, Notice of Intent to Cut, Stormwater Notice of Intent, Site Specific/Alteration of Terrain Permit, etc.)

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## **NASHUA CONSERVATION COMMISSION RECOMMENDATION**

Favorable ☐ Unfavorable ☐ # Stipulations \_\_\_\_\_ (See attachment)

Commissioner Assignee \_\_\_\_\_ Planner \_\_\_\_\_

NCC Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_